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Re: Request for Certificate of Correction

Consideration has been given your request for the issuance of a certificate of correction for the above-identified patent under the provisions of Rule(s) 1.322.

Inspection of the application for the patent reveals, however, that in connection with the alleged error pertaining to Title page, item (56) reference "In the Matter of Australian Patent Application No 688711...August 12, 1998" of which applicant has referred; entry of this reference as unwarranted since it was deleted by the examiner from the PTO 1449 filed with Information Disclosure Statement on October 14, 2003.

In view of the foregoing applicants request in this matter is hereby denied. However, a certificate of correction will issue to correct the remaining errors noted in applicants request. Any telephone inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to Ms. A. Green at (703) 308-9380 ext. 123.

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